

## Voter Identification Requirements

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There are several types of valid ID that permit a person to vote a regular ballot if he or she is in the correct precinct.

1. **Photo ID:** Any document issued by the U.S. government or the State of Ohio that meets ALL the following criteria is an acceptable photo identification:
  - An expiration date that has not passed;
  - A photograph of the voter;
  - The voter's name, which must substantially conform to the voter's name as it appears in the Poll List or in the Signature Poll Book; and
  - The voter's present address which must substantially conform to the voter's address as it appears in the Poll List or in the Signature Poll Book **UNLESS** the ID is an **Ohio driver's license or State ID card**.

**NOTE: An Ohio driver's license or State ID card with a former address IS ACCEPTABLE. The precinct election official must record the last four digits of the voter's driver's license or State ID card number in the Signature Poll Book.**

2. **Military ID:** Valid military identification cards or copies of such cards must be accepted whether or not they contain a name or address. However, this form of ID must still allow a precinct election official or election official to determine that it is the military ID card of the person who is presenting it for the purpose of voting.
3. **Utility Bill:** Must contain correct name and current address of the voter.

- A “bill” is a statement of fees owed and/or paid for services.
  - The bill may be a printout of an electronically transmitted statement for services owed, paid, or a regular paper copy.
  - A “utility bill” includes, but is not limited to, water, sewer, electric, heating, cable, Internet, telephone, and cellular telephone services.
  - The name and address on the bill must conform to the voter’s information as it appears in the Poll List or in the Signature Poll Book.
  - The utility bill must be current within one year of the Election Day for which the voter is presenting it for the purpose of voting.
4. **Bank Statement:** Must contain correct name and current address of the voter.
- A “bank statement” includes, but is not limited to, a statement from any financial or brokerage institution.
  - The bank statement may be a printout of an electronically transmitted statement or a regular paper copy.
  - The name and address on the statement must conform to the voter’s information as it appears in the Poll List or in the Signature Poll Book.
  - The bank statement must be current within one year of the Election Day for which the voter is presenting it for the purpose of voting.
5. **Government Check:** Must contain correct name and current address of voter.
- A “government check” includes, but is not limited to, a paycheck, check stub or receipt provided for direct deposit of funds, including a printout of an electronically transmitted statement, issued by any level of government (known as “political subdivision”) in Ohio, or for any other state, or the United States government.
  - The document may be a printout of an electronically transmitted statement or a regular paper copy.
  - The name and address on the check must conform to the voter’s information as it appears in the Poll List or in the Signature Poll Book.
  - The government check must be current within one year of the Election Day for which the voter is presenting it for the purpose of voting.

6. **Paycheck:** Must contain correct name and current address of voter.
  - A “paycheck” includes, but is not limited to, a paycheck, check stub or receipt provided for the direct deposit of wages or earnings from any public or private employer, bearing the name and current address of the voter.
  - The paycheck may be a printout of an electronically transmitted statement or a regular paper copy.
  - The name and address on the paycheck must conform to the voter’s information as it appears in the Poll List or in the Signature Poll Book.
  - The paycheck must be current within one year of the Election Day for which the voter is presenting it for the purpose of voting.
7. **Other Government Document:** Must contain correct name and current address of voter.
  - Other government documents are acceptable forms of voter identification. A government document is considered a document that is issued by a “government office,” which includes any local (city, county, township, and village governments), state or federal government office, branch, agency, department, division or similar component, including a board, commission, public college or university or public community college, whether or not in Ohio. Examples of government documents include, but are not limited to, letters, tax bills, licenses, notices, court papers, grade reports, and transcripts.
  - Documents from the board of elections are acceptable ID as government documents; except for voter registration acknowledgment notices which are **NOT** allowed.
  - The name and address on the government document must conform to the voter’s name as it appears in the Poll List or in the Signature Poll Book.
  - The document must be current within one year of the Election Day for which the voter is presenting it for the purpose of voting.

**Ohio Law Prohibits the Following Forms of ID to Be Accepted by Precinct Election Officials:**

1. Driver's license or photo identification card issued by a state other than Ohio;
2. Social Security card;
3. Passport;
4. Birth certificate, unless voter still lives at the house where he or she resided at birth, and the birth certificate contains that home address, in which case this is acceptable as an "other government document";
5. Insurance card; or
6. Any registration acknowledgment notice from the county board of elections. (All other documents from the board of elections are acceptable ID as government documents.)